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RECTANGULAR LATTICE
DATA CONVERTING MASK
PATTERN FOR CHARGED

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EXPOSURE AND METHOD FOR CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE USING

THE SAME

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## ABSTRACT:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To assure the mask pattern dimensional accuracy, without generating under exposure region.

SOLUTION: When the width of a pattern element of a lattice pattern is W, the space width in between the pattern elements is S, a lattice pattern area density is  $\alpha p$ , the minimum value of a forward scattering strength is Ffmin. $\alpha p$ , the position taking the minimum value is P, and the allowed lower limit value of the W and S is Lmin, the  $\alpha p$  is represented by a function D(W, S) from the geometrical relation of the lattice pattern, the forward scattering term of the energy

strength distribution function is surface-integrated, and the forward scattering strength at the position P is represented by the function E(P: W, S). The method for rectangular lattice data converting the mask pattern for charged particle beam exposure comprises the steps of obtaining the values of the W and the S for satisfying the relational formula D(W, S)= $\alpha$ p and E(P:W, S) =Ffmin. $\alpha$ p (S71, S72) for the given values of the  $\alpha p$ , Ffmin and Lmin (S70), converting the rectangular pattern to the lattice pattern (S74, S76) so as to satisfy W>Lmin and S>Lmin (S73, S75), and performing boundary-processing (S78).

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